

Application No. 10/724,028  
Amendment dated October 19, 2005  
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### REMARKS

Prior to entry of this paper, Claims 1-21 were pending. In this paper, Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 20-21 are canceled, and Claim 8 is re-written in independent form. No new matter is added by way of this amendment. Claims 8 and 11-19 are currently pending. For at least the following reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the presently pending claims is in condition for allowance.

### Allowed Claims (11-19)

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 11-19 are allowed and thank the Examiner for his work on this matter.

### Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (Claim 8)

Claim 8 was rejected to under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e) as being anticipated by Prodanov. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

It is respectfully submitted that Claim 8 is allowable at least because Prodanov does not disclose, "the second transistor is one of a group consisting of an n-type transistor and the p-type transistor, and the keeper transistor is the other of the group consisting of the n-type transistor and the p-type transistor", as recited in Applicants' Claim 8. The Office Action states that (8) Prodanov shows that the second transistor P5 is one of a group consisting of an n-type transistor and the p-type transistor, and the keeper transistor P4 is the other of the group consisting of the n-type transistor and the p-type transistor.

Claim 8 requires that either: the second transistor is a p-type transistor and the keeper transistor is an n-type transistor, or that the second transistor is an n-type transistor and the keeper transistor is a p-type transistor. Transistors P5 and P4 are both p-type transistors. Therefore, they do not meet the limitations of Claim 8.

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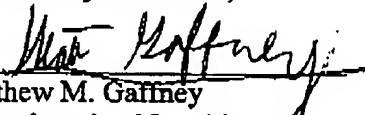
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**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that each of the presently pending claims (Claims 8 and 11-19) are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number if it is believed that the prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby. Although only certain arguments regarding patentability are set forth herein, there may be other arguments and reasons why the claimed invention is patentable. Applicant reserves the right to raise these arguments in the future.

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